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App. No. : 10/523,654  
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For : MEDICINE LIQUID INJECTION  
DEVICE FOR INJECTING  
PLURAL KINDS OF MEDICINE LIQUID  
WITHOUT MISSING THEM  
Art Unit : 3761

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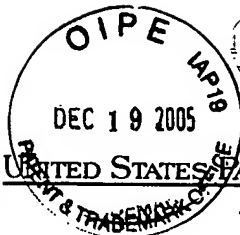
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## Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a 371 of PCT/JP02/09971 08/06/2003

## Foreign Applications

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Non-Publication Request: No

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## Title

Medicine liquid injection device for injecting plural kinds of medicine liquid without mixing them

**Preliminary Class**

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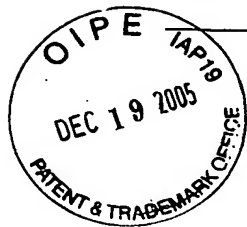
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I believe I am an original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled a LIQUID INJECTOR FOR INJECTING A PLURALITY OF LIQUIDS INTO PATIENT WITHOUT MIXING, PCT Application No. PCT/JP2003/009971, filed in the Japanese Receiving Office on August 6, 2003; the documentation for entry into the U.S. national phase of which is attached hereto;

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No.: 2002-231159

Country: Japan

Date Filed: 08/08/02

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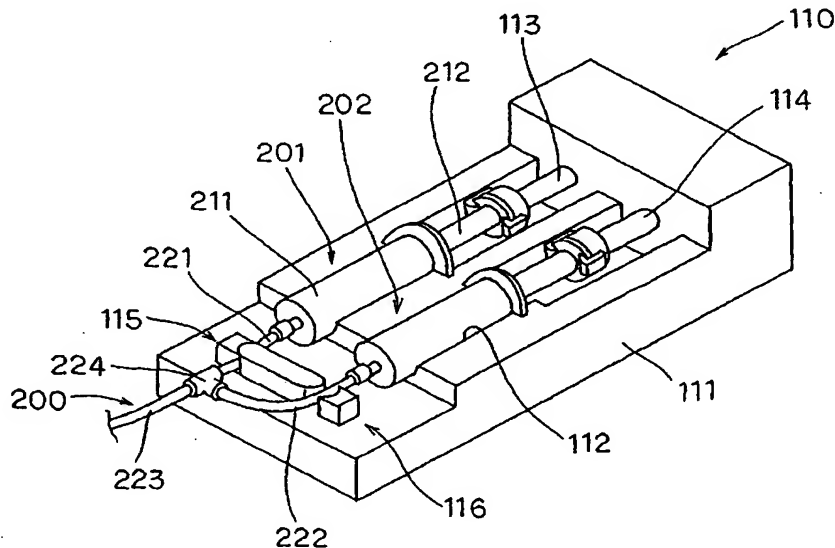
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(54) Title: MEDICINE LIQUID INJECTION DEVICE FOR INJECTING PLURAL KINDS OF MEDICINE LIQUID WITHOUT MIXING THEM

(54) 発明の名称: 被験者に複数の薬液を混合しないように注入する薬液注入装置



(57) Abstract: With a medicine liquid injection device (100), a subject and syringes (201, 202) are connected by a subject tube (223) and syringe tubes (221, 222). When medicine liquid is injected to the subject from one of the syringes (201, 202), one of the syringe tubes (221, 222) connected to the other syringe (201 or 202) is closed, so that the medicine liquid injected to the subject from the one of the syringes (201, 202) does not flow back to the other syringe (201 or 202). Therefore, plural kinds of medicine liquid can be injected to the subject without restriction and the liquid can be prevented from flowing back.

(57) 要約: 本発明は、被験者と複数のシリンジ201、202とを被験者チューブ223と複数のシリンジチューブ221、222とで連結するが、複数のシリンジ201、202の1個から被験者に薬液を注入するときは、他のシリンジ20

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